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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
KOJI MAEDA : EXAMINER: LE, LANA N.
SERIAL NO: 10/786,541 :
FILED: FEBRUARY 26, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2618
FOR: RADIO COMMUNICATION :
SYSTEM, RADIO STATION, AND RADIO
COMMUNICATION METHOD

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Official Action mailed July 19, 2006, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1, 7-9, and 15-16 for further examination on the merits in the present application.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement for the following reason.

MPEP § 803 states:

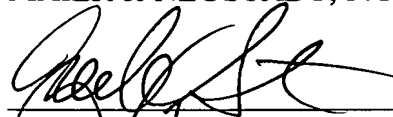
If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

The claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area. Accordingly, Applicant also respectfully traverses the outstanding Restriction Requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a *serious* burden on the Examiner.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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